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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Andrew Chang, et al
Assignee: Foundry Networks, Inc.
Title: Network Switch Cross Point
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Examiner: R. M. Pizarro Art Unit: 2661
Docket No.: FDRY-0007-US

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Commissioner for Patents
Facsimile No. 571-273-8300

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Dear Sir:

On August 23, 2005, the undersigned and Examiner Pizarro had an interview, and the undersigned agreed to submit an amendment to clarify certain of the claims.

Interview Summary: Examiner Pizarro called the undersigned on August 19, 2005. The Examiner asked the difference between a "port" and a "port slice," with "port slice" being a term in claim 15. He also asked what "high aligned" and "low aligned" (claim 16) meant.

On August 22, 2005, the undersigned called Examiner Pizarro to discuss the above issues. The undersigned pointed to Figs. 4 and 5 as showing the relationship between a port and port slice, and in particular of Fig. 5 being an example of a port slice. Further, regarding "high aligned" and "low aligned," the Examiner stated that he found a specification reference. [Subsequent to the interview, the undersigned has found a specification reference, i.e., paragraph 0104, indicating that in the example embodiment a low aligned cell header has the special character K0 in the first 32-bit chunk of data, and a high aligned cell header has the special character K0 in the second 32-bit chunk of data.]

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The undersigned agreed to submit an amendment, as indicated above. There was no discussion of the particulars of the amendment, and no agreements concerning the allowability of the claims.

Finally, the undersigned advised the Examiner of an Information Disclosure Statement that was submitted to the Office by Express Mail on August 11, 2005, and asked that the Examiner consider the cited references.

Amendments to the claims follow.